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WORST TARGET LIST.

The War Room have compiled the following list in response to a request received for details of the more important RSHA and Mil.Amt. personalities whose arrests have not so far been reported.

There are of course large numbers of persons falling within the SHAEF pink card categories who are still at large, but it would be neither practicable nor profitable to make a comprehensive index of these individuals, nor has the War Room been asked to do so. The criterion for inclusion in the list is that the man should be important. The War Room take the view that a man may be regarded as being important either because of his potential value as a source of fresh C.E. intelligence, or alternatively, because he is himself a security menace, or for both those reasons.

Whilst there are a number of unarrested Mil.Amt. personnel who could still provide valuable information of a tactical character, there is no substantial ground for believing that any of them offer any serious threat to security. On the other hand, the same generalisation cannot prudently be made in respect of the personnel of the other Amts to the RSHA, all of whom, because of their antecedents, fanaticism, allegiance to the party, or other similar considerations, can be regarded as potential menaces whilst still at large.

Whilst conceding that HITLER himself was never of higher rank than Corporal, it is clear that if the list is to be kept within manageable proportions some rank qualification must be introduced; accordingly no-one has been included as a possible threat to security, as distinct from a source of intelligence, unless he is of Field rank or over.

No deductions as to the relative importance of any particular department of C.I.S. or RSHA can or should be drawn from the number of officers belonging to such a department included in this list. Thus it must not be assumed that because only 15 names of Amt IV personnel appear as against 25 names of Amt VI it VI is the more important target of the two.

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<u>Shoof Card.</u>	<u>Name.</u>	<u>Rank.</u>	<u>Reforent.</u>	<u>Remarks.</u>
114119	<u>NIKLAUS, Kurt</u>	Ustuf	VI D	
37852	OLERICH	Stubaf	VI A	Reported at Salzburg Apr. 45. Deputy Leitor of VI A.
3141	PLISTEMER	Hastuf	VI F	Reported in Spain in 1942.
1771	RAPP	Ostubaf	VI C	Reported at Elonsburg May 45.
11297	SCHINDOWSKI	Stubaf.	VI 3B	May have gone south.
205	SCHMIED	Staf	VI Wi	On sick leave in Styria in Mar 45. Rep. at Saarfold Eastor: left for Innsbruck. prob. Lietzen Apr. 45. Re- ported at Schorin 26th. April 1945.
47267	<u>STEIMLE, Eugon</u>	Stubaf	VI B	Rep: Pretzsch late Apr. Reutte in Apr. Alt Aussee April. Killed ? nr. REUTTE on 20 April 1945.
	<u>SIEFFEN, Peter</u>	Stubaf	VI F (H)	
18598	<u>VOLBRECHT, Hans.</u>	Stubaf. Dr.	VI B	

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Basic ltr Hq. 599th AAA AW Bn. dtd 25 Jun 45. subj: "Investigation of German Civilian Plane Crash".

461 (GBI/CIB/Ops) 6th Ind.
Office of the A.C. of S., G-2. Hq. U.S. Forces, European Theater (Main).
APO 757, 23 August 1945.

TO: Counter Intelligence War Room, C/o UK Base, APO 413

1. The inclosed correspondence referring to the crash of a German civilian plane at PIESENKOFEN (N49248) on 21 April 1945 is forwarded for your information.

2. Documents can be forwarded if you so desire.

For the AC of S, G-2:

Signed: DUPRE SASSARD
Lt. Col. GSO
Executive

3 Inccls: n/o

HEADQUARTERS, 599th AAA AW BATTALION
APO 403, U.S. Army

25 June 1945

SUBJECT: Investigation of German Civilian Plane Crash

TO: Commanding Officer, 599th AAA AW Bn

1. General information:

Place - Piesenkofen (W495905) boundary of Vilsbiburg and Muhldorf Kreise.

Date of Crash - 21 April 1945 between 2100 and 2200 hours

Weather - High wind and rain

Type of plane - German four (4) motor civilian plane

Occupants - About fourteen (14) German civilians, believed to be several families, including women and children.

2. The site of the crash was inspected on 22 June 1945. The plane was found severely damaged, beyond recognition. One wing, which fell from the plane about one kilometer from the crash, and which was later dragged from a field to the vicinity of the wreckage, is in fair shape and bears the initials HH. This wing lies near the road and may be seen from the road. Items found near the wreckage on 22 June were parts of blue prints, clothing of men women and children, bicycles, frying pan and silverware. This wreckage is about 100 yards from the road - in the woods. The bodies of the occupants are also buried near the wreckage. No complete blueprints were found. Sections found were legible. The clothing was examined for identification marks but none were found. They were torn and partly burned. The bicycles were demolished by the crash. The frames and handlebars were identifiable and other parts were found in the wreckage.

3. Women who gathered during the inspection were questioned and stated they believed three families in the plane were travelling from Berlin to Spain. The women also said that the people of Piesenkofen buried the bodies and picked up identification papers, pictures and personal items which are now in the hands of AMG, Vilsbiburg. These items were transferred.

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to S-5, 599th AAA AW Bn on 25 June 1945. The farmer who took the papers was contacted and accompanied the inspecting party to Egglofen, where he turned them in to the Ortsgruppenleiter Karspar. The Ortsgruppenleiter, in turn, turned the evidence in to the Kommissar Rohleder at Neumarkt, where the items were confiscated by the investigating party.

4. From all appearances and circumstantial evidence the crash seemed to be caused by the storm and wind. The one wing became detached from the plane, dropping about one mile from the wreckage. By the appearance of the crash it seems the plane came straight down. The trees in the vicinity of the crash show no evidence of a glide.

5. Evidence turned over by Kommissar Rohleder was in a paper carton and separate envelopes, unsealed.

6. Investigation was made by Tech 4 Henry O. Pautz.

Signed: RAYMOND R. FRICK
Major, CAC
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HEADQUARTERS XII CORPS
CIO DET 212 Doo. Sect.
APO 312 US Army.

20 July 1945.

SUBJECT: Report on German Civilian Plane Crash in Piesenkofen (z495905).

Part II: Document Report.

Examination of the burnt out remains of papers salvaged from the plane wreck furnished the following information:

The machine, probably a Focke Wulf, 200, has been employed as courier plane of the German Government on the route from Berlin to Madrid.

The following persons have been identified as casualties in the wreck:

1. Chief Pilot (Flugkapitan) August Kunstle
born 16 April 1895, residence: Berlin, Hohenzollerndamm 71, was already a member of the German Airforce during the last war. 1939 assigned as Air Force Captain to the Fighter Squadron 172 P.b.v. (probably special purpose unit for secret missions), took part in the Spanish Civil War as pilot. Party member since 1 May 1937, No. 4575870. Has been employed before as pilot on Courier planes from Berlin to Madrid and Stockholm.
2. Copilot Hans Christiansen
born 28 July 1905. Pilot license from the German Lufthansa since June 1944. License for the following plane models: U36, U52, BL220 and FW200 FW200.
3. Aviation mechanic Karl Kelz
born 26 April 1898. Residence: Berlin-Tempelhof, Berlinerstrasse 28, employed by Lufthansa.
4. Mrs. Ingborg Kunstle, nee Drong
born 25 June 1920, wife of pilot Kunstle.
5. Rita Kunstle
born 26 April 1937, daughter of same.

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6. First Lieutenant Walter Martsahn,
Residence: Berlin, Hotel Adlon, Section Chief of the SD in Madrid.
Government Courier of the German Foreign Office to Spain.
Had equipment for a new Radio Station in Madrid with him (7 boxes).
7. Miss Thormann,
SD agent of Section VI D 3, personalia unknown.
8. Mr. Kurt Hildebrand,
born: 8 Jan 1901 in Freiburg, residence in Madrid since April 1944, profession: merchant.
9. Oberregierungsrat Eugen Steinle,
born: 8 Dec 1909 in Neuhausen, residence in Berlin.

Amongst the correspondence, salvaged from the wreckage, were a number of unopened letters. Inspection of those letters revealed that they represent personal correspondence sent by courier (casualty No. 7 - Miss Thormann) to Madrid. All the letters refer to personalities connected with a certain Government agency located in Berlin, Schmargendorf, Borkerstrasse 32-35. The same agency also appears under the address Berlin, Schmargendorf, Post box 5 and Field Post Number 56373. The contents of the letters prove that this particular agency is representing a Berlin Center of the Sicherheitsdienst.

Attached to this report is a translation of a letter written by Miss Erika Jahn to Miss Tuszyński, now in Madrid. This letter gave the key for the further identification of all other personalities mentioned in the salvaged correspondence.

Following is a detailed list of all personalities identified through this correspondence. All letters have been written during the first half of April 1945.

SD Agents connected with the organization, located in Berlin Schmargendorf, Borkerstrasse 32-35;

Miss Evelyn Blunker,
SD Section VI D 3, now in Madrid

Miss Harthorn,
Same Section, now in Madrid

Miss Lach,
Same Section, now in Madrid

Miss "Ute" B. 4,
Miss Neuendorf,
Same Section, now in Madrid

Miss Renate von der Weiden
Berlin, Zehlendorf, Zionscisterstrasse 115.

Mr. Blackow,
Same Section,
reported out of action.

SD Agents connected with the Field Post Number 56373:
SS Obersturmführer, Sonderführer Georg Wiedemann, FPN 5673A moved to Madrid

Miss Josefa Lehse, Berlin

Secretary of Wiedemann

Miss Reimer, Berlin
residence: Berlin-Charlottenburg, Sybelstrasse 51/II served as
courier for Wiedemann

SS Obersturmführer Dr. Wulffen, FPN 56373K now Madrid
receives mail from a certain Maria Zois, Herrnbaumgarten 119,
Nieder-Donau, Austria.

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SS Hauptsturmführer Marcel Zschunko FPN 56373A now Madrid
former address: Berlin, Kaiserdamm 86
SS Hauptsturmführer Schwarz FPN 56373A now Madrid
his sweetheart resp. his wife Ellen Schwarz, lives in München
Genthinstrasse 1, a rabid Nazi.
SD Agents to be left behind in Berlin to operate under the occupation
forces for the Section VI D 4:

Bussinger, (Sectionleader)
Gross,
Hinze,
Lange.

SD Agents of the Dienststelle Marzahn, Madrid:

Mr. Kaus	Madrid
SS Sturmführer Brausor	Madrid
Miss Wehner	Madrid
Erich Spech	Madrid
SS Hauptsturmführer Haux	Madrid
Lt. Reichert	Madrid
Mr. Rebe	Berlin
brother of same	Berlin
Miss Wildermann	unidentified foreign place
SS Sturmführer Rother(?)	unidentified place
Mr. and Mrs. Wenskeht	Berlin
	Berlin

Agents identified by Sections:

SS Obersturmführer Kleinschmidt head (Verbindungsführer) of VI A 3 Berlin
Dr. Neubourg head (Verbindungsführer) of VI B 4
Section was formerly located in Seedorf, evacuated on 4 April to Berlin

Members of Section VI B, formerly Seedorf:

SS Sturmführer Faendler,
Dr. Paeffgen,
Hoinrich Karl Hofmann, (NS Führungsstab OKH, to be assigned to VI B on 28 March 1945)
"(Dr. Wurmohon)" possibly now in Stockholm
Miss Erika Jahn (D 4) was scheduled for Stockholm, or if prevented from leaving Berlin, to stay and operate there.

Agents of Section VI D 3 in Madrid:

Miss Tuszynski, formerly D 4, went 14 April 1945 to Madrid
Mr. Müller, went together with her to Madrid
Mr. Wahlstab, formerly D 4,
SS Untersturmführer Robert Grosse, formerly D 4
his sweetheart Erika Neumann, Berlin, Schmargendorf Davoserstrasse 1, might be able to furnish additional information
Miss "(Ulli)", left Berlin around the 15th of April in order to reach Madrid

Agents who are possibly in Spain:

Dr. Walfrid Vernunft, received letter from his wife (6 April 45), residence Itzenbuttel, Post Buoholz, Gasthof "Zum gr. Jager"
Mr. Eivind Ringvold, received letter written in Danish from a person in the town of Sgardsdag.

Agents of Büro Min-A (Got), agency of the Reichspostministerium, probably Radio Intelligence outfit

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Following personalities are connected with the Madrid office:

Friedrich Thoms, Oberpostrat, Dipl. Ing., head of Madrid office,
Mr. Edler, employee of Siemens,
Mr. Stogenhahn, employee of Telefunkon,
Mr. Rohberg,
Mr. Biedermann,
Mr. Timm,
Mr. Kergol,
Mr. Richter,

Following personalities are employees of the same outfit living in Germany (the Berlin office had at the middle of April '40 employees):

Mr. Gottschau, Walter somewhere in Bavaria
Mr. Mattnor somewhere in Bavaria
Dr. Roiss

Addresses listed in notebook of Oberleutnant Martsahn:

Madame Bertrand, Paris XXIII, rue Ronoir
Tel. Aub. 8282
Elisabeth Maouian, née Kalcitschian, born 9 Sept 1884
stateless Passport No. 13242-42

Address cards probably connected with Oberleutnant Martsahn:

George Gorebkow, chief of the council of Russian emigrants in France, Paris XVI, 4 rue de Galliera
Vacher, Paris XX, rue de Docteur ...

Address originated from a letter without giving any indication that the person referred to has been an agent:

Hans Mankel, poultry dealer, Berlin W 15, Pariserstrasse 49

Casual addresses marked on back side of burnt photo:

Direktor Willy Kroll,
Ingenieur Gustav Dreschoff,
both in care of Schmid und Bachmann AG, Roydt

Casual address on paper fast:

Mr. Lochmann, c/o Mrs. Maria Albrecht, Berlin, Proskauerstrasse 34

Names of American personalities mentioned in the salvaged paper:
Captain William-Dalton, Hohenthiel Jr.

Asst, Military Attaché of US Embassy in Madrid
(Calling card of this Captain found in possession of Pilot Kunstle)
Mrs. William H. Moore, 4 E 54 Street New York City

(hand written card of appreciation for Pilot Kunstle)
Mrs. Charlotte Dundey, Berlin
(according to a reference letter of the Spanish Embassy in Berlin,
Mrs. Dundey was housing members of the US Embassy in her home,
before they were interned.)

In addition to the correspondence and identification papers, a number of documents were salvaged from the wreckage which have no security value but mostly contain technical data, pertaining to aviation or radiotechnique. It is suggested that inspection of these papers be conducted by Air and Signal Intelligence.

Signed: Rudolph J. Birnback
T/Sgt, MIS
XII Corps Document Center

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Translation

Berlin, 17 April 1945

My dear Tuscha,

I just learned that Miss Thormann will fly there tomorrow and of course I want to send you a letter with her. I thought there was no possibility at all to get in touch with you, but there is a plane flying from time to time. I always sit on Ulli's piazza and watch the airport and everything a plane leaves, I think who might be in it from the office.

We expected your phone call on Saturday, but the air raid alarm came and I suppose you did not want to disturb us after the alarm. We learned later that you had left and I presume it must have been quite a daring affair and I hope you landed all right. It is good to know that Muller was with you. In the meantime I am the only one left in the Section. I am only embittered all the time when I think how Bu. behaved during the last days. I expected something different from the Section, but fortunately not everybody in the office is like that. He had no more other ideas than to get out of Berlin safely. I searched his desk yesterday and found a list of codenames, a list of VM (Informants), just the things the enemy is looking for. Outside of that, there were also calendars with names of all kinds of people and notebooks there. I burnt everything yesterday, although I really had no intention to do anything for Bu. anymore. But enough of this, I have been angry about this sufficiently. At present I am doing all right, I am sitting with D 4 and we drink of the famous brew which caused you to be in such a good mood last Saturday in Berlin.

I don't know what is going to happen to my trip to Stockholm, as my passport was unfortunately given to the Foreign Office for prolongation and visa and I have been waiting for it for 10 days. I hope it will get here to-day as I told the good man of A 5 that I would choke him if he does not return it ready or not ready. But I shall still need the Swedish visa and the plane seat and one has to have lots of optimism to think that I shall ever get to Stockholm. But I don't care anymore, anyhow, (I can hear Wahlstab's favorite saying: Do you know what "I don't care" means.) I presume that you know that Gross, Hinze, Lange, etc. intend to stay and continue their work here. They will of course need girls that convey information, etc. The section chief has approved of this undertaking and I will join it, providing that I stay here. Perhaps we can do here what we planned to do in the Bohemianwald. Otherwise it is very monotonous here and I am glad when I can leave the office, because everybody is depressed and it is so peaceful when I can sit on Ulli's piazza. By the way, Ulli left also, even though without Bussingers help. A war reporter came Sunday and told her that they wanted her down there. Ulli contacted the personal Staff of the Reichsführer SS immediately and left during the same night on a transport of the personal Staff for down there, namely first to Salzburg and from there Ulli will take them further. Perhaps she will turn up in your place some day. She offered me to come along, but I still can't part from Berlin. Just now, Miss Neurinck arrived and has a letter from Grossé and tells that it is very boring down there but the countryside must be pretty and perhaps you can take a vacation.

Oh yes, I wanted to tell you how monotonous it is here. I sleep very late every morning and only get down to the office at 1.30 for lunch. After that I try to urge VI A 5 about my passport and have to leave them without getting any place. We sit in the cellar at 9.00 because the Russians come and stay down there until the Tommies have passed and that means we have to stay there 3 to 4 hours. During the night we hear the artillery fire from the Eastern front. I spoke to Schultz yesterday, who came from Waldburg - they have nothing to laugh about there! We received a letter from "Dr. Wurmchen" yesterday for Muller. As we did not know that there was still courier service with down there, I answered it myself.

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Dr. W. only wanted to know what happened to his affair in Seedorf (I could only write him what Dr. Paerfgen told us), where you are, how one can get in touch with you, etc. Outside of that he does not seem to be 100% satisfied up there.

Miss Neumann just writes to her Robert and somebody just offers her a red pencil in order to enable her to paint a little heart on it.

I started a new shoot now but my mind is exhausted (God help you if you dare asking when this was not the case....!!!) I almost hope now that my trip to Sweden would not materialize in order to enable me to work here.

Now, my dear, good Tuscho, lots of luck to you, don't forget me entirely and perhaps we shall see each other soon, as I am optimistic, if I stay here with D 4. Give my regards to Wahlstab and Muller.

Yours,

(sighed); Erik

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